

Plan Title: State Trails Plan

Type: Outdoor Recreational Resources

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Plan Description (Purpose, Goals and Guiding Principles)

The State Trails Plan is being developed to guide recreation providers in meeting Nevada's recreation trail needs, and to help establish priorities for the disposition of Federal RecTrails funding. Goals of the plan include: (a) to develop a comprehensive inventory of recreation trails throughout the state; (b) to conduct a detailed statewide trail user survey; © to make a comprehensive study and analysis of the issues and trends which affect recreation trails throughout Nevada; (d) and to establish general guidelines for establishing RecTrail Program funding distribution priorities.

Overall the Plan will examines the collective influence of various public and private recreation trail providers throughout the state, it will analyze the recreational trail issues important to both providers and recreationists, and it will provide a policy plan to improve and maintain Nevada's recreation trails base.

Geographic Scope: Statewide

Legislative Authority and/or Administrative Policies: Federal Guidelines for the Federal RecTrails Program require states to develop a state trails plan in order to maintain eligibility for Federal RecTrails grants funding. The Division of State Parks was designated as Nevada's administering agency for the Symm's National Recreation Trails Program (predecessor to the RecTrails Program) in 1993 by Governor Miller.

Cooperating Agencies: BLM, USFS, NPS, NDOT, DMV&PS, Nevada Division of Wildlife, Clark County RTC, Clark County Parks & Recreation, Las Vegas Comprehensive Planning, Washoe County Parks & Recreation, and other local public trail providers throughout the state.

Participating Stakeholders: Nevada All-State Trail Riders, Nevada United Four

Wheelers, Nevada Trails Coalition, Truckee Meadows Trails Association, Citizens for Active Management, Nevada Backcountry Horsemen.

Date Completed: Scheduled for 2000.

Planning Process & Data Collection: No planning term has yet been established; will follow any future federal guidelines that address the term issue. Phases are as follows: ① Plan will be initiated shortly by first contacting all of the public recreation trail providers in the state and inviting their participation in developing trail inventory and issues statements; ② Establish applicable demographic data based on latest state Demographer's estimates; ③ Establish location maps for major recreation trails throughout the state; ④ Conduct a statewide trail user survey; ⑤ Establish recreation trail use trends, trail use policies, trail development & maintenance strategies, etc.